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| Notice of Allowability | Application No. | Applicant(s) | |
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| | Examiner | Art Unit | |
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1. This communication is responsive to 3/3/2006.
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 1, 4, 5, 2, 6, 8 renumbered as 1-6 respectively.
3. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) All
 - b) Some*
 - c) None
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4. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
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6. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____.
7. Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. Other _____.

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Regarding claim 1, the prior arts fail to teach or fairly suggest a radio transmission method for transmitting a packet from a radio transmission apparatus serving as an information transmitter to a radio transmission apparatus serving as an information receiver, returning receipt acknowledging information of a received packet from the radio transmission apparatus serving as the information receiver to the radio transmission apparatus serving as the information transmitter after transmission of information, and retransmitting an unreceived packet from the radio transmission apparatus serving as the information transmitter to the radio transmission apparatus serving as the information receiver in a wireless network, the wireless network being formed with a plurality of transmission apparatus serving as communication stations, the radio transmission method comprising the steps of:

automatically retransmitting only a packet whose receipt acknowledging information has not been received on arrival of a frame cycle for retransmission; and wherein the frame cycle for retransmission is preset to an arbitrary frame cycle depending on size of an asynchronous transmission area available for asynchronous transmission in a radio transmission line allowing band-reserved transmission or band-secured transmission, within the structure of the independent claim 1.

Regarding claim 2, the prior arts fail to teach or fairly suggest a radio transmission method for transmitting a packet from a radio transmission apparatus

serving as an information transmitter to a radio transmission apparatus serving as an information receiver, returning receipt acknowledging information of a received packet from the radio transmission apparatus serving as the information receiver to the radio transmission apparatus serving as the information transmitter after transmission of information, and retransmitting an unreceived packet from the radio transmission apparatus serving as the information transmitter to the radio transmission apparatus serving as the information receiver in a wireless network, the wireless network being formed with a plurality of transmission apparatus serving as communication stations, the radio transmission method comprising the steps of:

referring to a transmission pointer value of a frame cycle for retransmission in each the frame cycle and automatically retransmitting only a packet whose receipt acknowledging information has not been received, within the structure of the independent claim 2.

Regarding claim 8, the prior arts fail to teach or fairly suggest a radio transmission apparatus for transmitting information in a wireless network, the wireless network being formed with a plurality of communication apparatus serving as communication stations, the radio transmission apparatus comprising:

retransmitting means for referring to the transmission pointer value of a frame cycle for retransmission in each the frame cycle and automatically retransmitting only a packet whose receipt acknowledging information has not been received, within the structure of the independent claim 8.

Conclusion

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communication from the examiner should be directed to Thien Tran whose telephone number is (571) 272-3156. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 8:30AM to 5:00PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Doris To, can be reached on (571) 272-7629. Any inquiry of a general nature of relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (571) 272-2600.

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